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Northwest Carbondale residents form district association

SHARON WITTKE
Daily Egyptian

Citizens who attended the first meeting of the Northwest Neighborhood Association Monday expressed concern that the Oakland Auto Repair business might lower property values and that the National Guard Armory could lose value if it isn't sold soon.

About 50 residents of northwestern Carbondale formed an organization to unite the residents of the area of Carbondale west of Highway 51 and north of Main Street.

After adopting bylaws and electing a slate of officers, the members got to work establishing their priorities.

One of the group's priorities was to address citizens' questions about the Oakland Auto Repair shop at the corner of Oakland and Pecan streets, which opened in December.

Adam Loos, president of the association, said the city issued a permit allowing the old warehouse to be used as an auto repair shop, although that area is zoned residential and that type of use is not allowed. The city later rescinded the permit, he said.

The city has been working with the owner of the auto repair business to relocate, he said, but they still haven't found a suitable location.

Loos said some of the repair shop's immediate neighbors are worried about their property values declining.

City Councilman Lance Jack attended the meeting and said opening an auto repair business in the old warehouse was a better use of the building than continued use as a warehouse.

He said it was more beneficial to the neighborhood to have a responsible client operating a 9-to-5 business than to allow someone to use it as a warehouse, with the possibility of pick-ups and deliveries made at all hours of the day and night.

Loos said the formation of the association evolved from a meeting held in January after the proposed sale of the historic National Guard Armory building was announced.

A steering committee had met several times in the interim to establish the bylaws and agenda, he said.

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Thompson Woods worries all bark, no bite Woods in better shape than people believe



Cheyenne Adams, a sophomore from Normal studying zoology, watches a turtle Tuesday in a clearing in Thompson Woods. When deciding to come to SIU, Adams said one of the biggest appeals to her was the woods. "If this had been a park with benches and a mowed lawn I wouldn't have been nearly as excited," she said, "this turtle wouldn't even be here if this was a park."

SARAH GARDNER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

MATT DARAY
Daily Egyptian

Nature enthusiasts who have noticed a thinning in the Thompson Woods no longer need to worry about the campus staple.

The 10-acre forested area on campus, remains in good shape, despite storms and fires which have left campus community worried about the forest.

Charles Ruffner, an associate professor in the department of forestry and a member of the Forest Resource Management and Urban

Forestry, said the woods have come a long way since May 2009, when a storm destroyed portions of the woods.

Since the storm, Ruffner said SIUC Plant & Service Operations maintains a complete inventory of trees to watch development and monitor what work needs to be done.

He said he does not think people should be worried about the state of the woods, and it seems unlikely the trees will be torn down for a park, as rumors have suggested.

Ruffner said trees die every day in

the forest, and removal is necessary for the upkeep of Thompson Woods.

He said it is hard to compare Thompson Woods to how it used to be because there is virtually no evidence the woods have declined during the years.

Ruffner said the largest issue concerns invasive species growing within the woods, but he said it is unknown whether they will affect the ecosystem.

He said all the wooded areas on campus have been divided into sections that are routinely maintained, partially cleaned or left

untouched on depending where they are and how much student activity takes place around them.

Since 2000, Thompson Woods has undergone controlled burnings in order to remove dead trees and hazardous plants from the forest, Ruffner said.

In 2005, the forest was notorious for having "violent deer" that attacked several people before the problem was finally ended, according to Prairie State Outdoors website.

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Leaders react to Quinn's pension reform Governor's plan to affect those hired before Jan. 1, 2011

LAUREN DUNCAN
Daily Egyptian

Gov. Pat Quinn's new plan to fix state pension problems calls for employees with state pension plans, including university faculty and staff, to make sacrifices.

One month after Quinn presented plans to reform the state pension system, the governor announced Friday the specifics of his plans.

The state pension system is underfunded by more than \$80 million and the debt is predicted to grow unless the system is changed.

To cut those costs, Quinn said he wants the retirement age to be raised and the amount of cost-of-living adjustments the state pays on pensions to be

changed. He also said he wants employees to start contributing.

Quinn said the goal of his plan is to eliminate the unfunded \$83 million in pension costs by 2042.

In a press conference Friday, Quinn said he thinks the pension problem is one of the most difficult Illinois has faced in nearly 35 years.

"I did not create the problems, but I'm here to solve those problems," he said.

Quinn's plan proposes:

A 3-percent increase in employee contributions toward the employees' own pension plans.

A reduction to the cost-of-living adjustment the state pays on pensions and a change in how it is calculated. Employees receive a 3-percent cost-of-

living adjustment which is calculated with compound interest. With Quinn's proposal that adjustment could be less, depending on the actual change in cost-of-living, and will be based on simple interest.

A delay of the cost-of-living adjustment to age 67 or until 5 years after an employee retires.

An increase in the retirement age to 67, which would be phased.

The establishment of a 30-year funding schedule which would require the state to make payments on the pension costs in the future.

Limiting public sector pensions to public sector employees.

Although Quinn said those in retirement will not be affected by the plan, employees will.

While legislation passed last spring affects employees hired after Jan. 1, 2011, this proposal would affect those hired before then.

Of the Illinois pension systems in place, Quinn said about 22 percent are state employees, and 78 percent are university, community college or local school district employees.

SIU President Glenn Poshard, who gave a presentation in March to SIU employees on the pension problems, said he saw good and bad features of Quinn's proposal.

On a good note, Poshard said he likes that the proposal doesn't affect those who are already retired.

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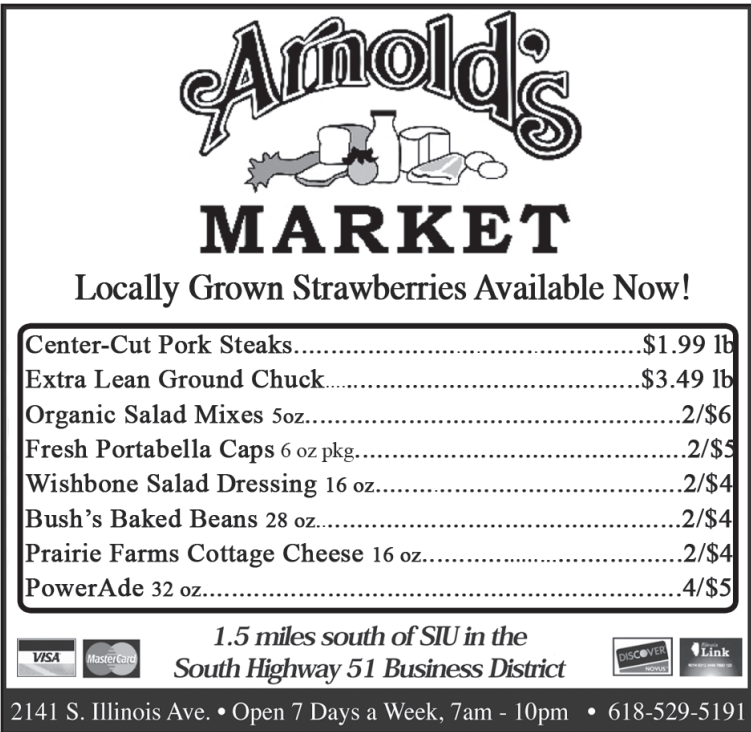
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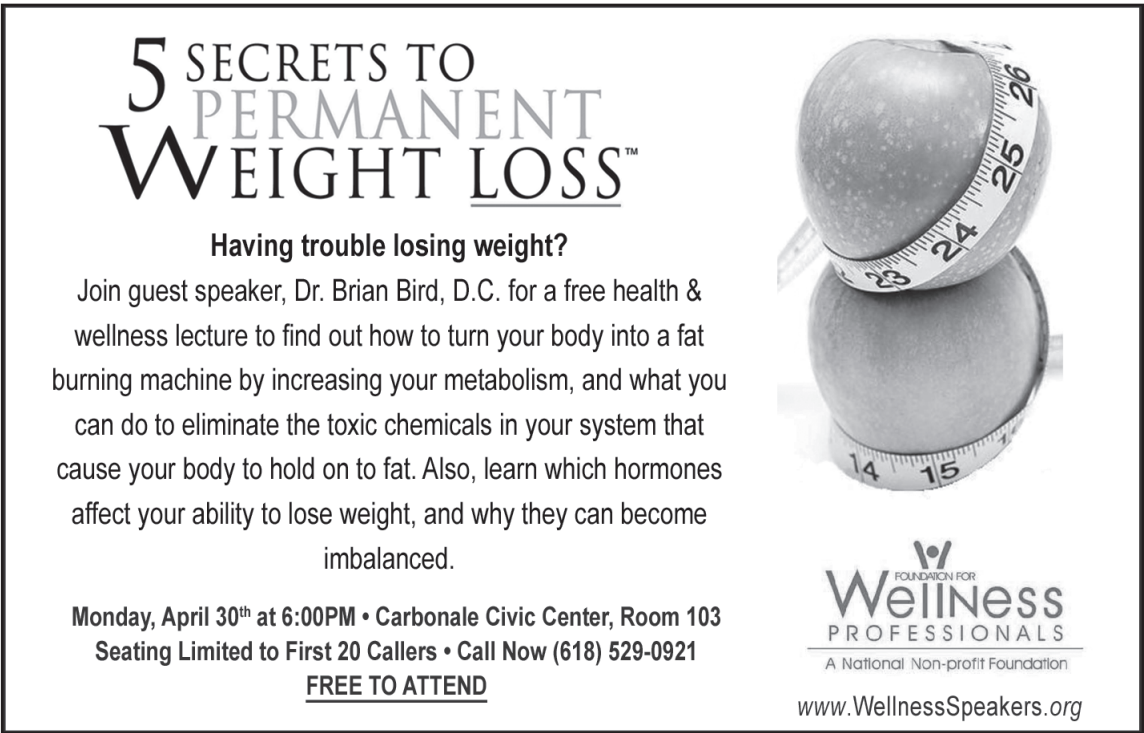
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Faculty Senate members elect new leaders

MATT DARAY
Daily Egyptian

Faculty Senate President Bill Recktenwald finished his last meeting as president amid applause from his peers as they congratulated newly elected president Meera Komaraju Tuesday.

Other newly elected members were Terry Clark, professor of marketing, as vice president and Kimberly Asner-Self, former head of committee on committees and associate professor of educational and psychology special education, as secretary.

Recktenwald, a senior lecturer in journalism, served as the first president of the Faculty Senate not on the tenure-track.

He said he was surprised he was elected but never worried about his duties as president.

"Many of you recall that I did not seek the position of senate president, but I agreed to serve fairly and to the best of my abilities," he said in his statement.

In his last statement as president, Recktenwald went over his work from the past year.

Recktenwald said his goal was not just to attend meetings but also become an active participant in them. He said he believes the senate made significant progress in terms of shared governance.

The No. 1 thing that should always matter to members of the



William Recktenwald, president of the 2011-2012 Faculty Senate, speaks to the newly installed Senate Tuesday in the Kaskaskia-Missouri Room at the Student Center.

JESSICA TEZAK
DAILY EGYPTIAN

senate is the students, he said.

Recktenwald said before his time in the senate, there was a lot of tension. He said he helped pull the group together to work with each other, as well as with Chancellor Rita Cheng and Provost John Nicklow.

Recktenwald said he was able to work with Cheng and Nicklow to accomplish the goals of senate and upper echelon faculty.

He said he used humor and kept meetings at a reasonable length to make the senate more

productive.

He said he gained leadership experience from his time as deputy bureau chief at the Chicago Tribune.

Recktenwald said he thinks Komaraju will serve as an excellent replacement because she is a renowned teacher and has experience bringing groups together.

Komaraju, director of SIU's undergraduate psychology program and associate professor of applied psychology, was not

present at the meeting, and was unavailable for comment.

Asner-Self said it was an honor to work under Recktenwald in his time as president. She said he was a great leader who was calm, open-minded and able to make tough decisions.

She also said she is confident in Komaraju and looks forward to serving under her as secretary.

James Wall, member of the Faculty Senate's budget committee and senior lecturer in the department of radio-

television, said the senate replaces at least one third of its members annually to keep fresh voices.

Wall said Recktenwald has been a wonderful voice for the faculty and championed a number of causes. He said having a non-tenure teacher in charge of the senate showed confidence from the faculty.

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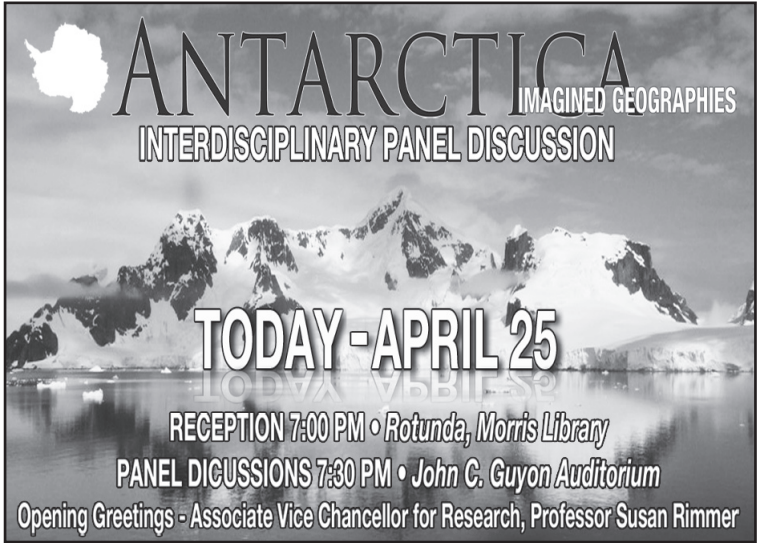
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Not all news about the woods has been negative.

In December, Plant & Service Operations worked with student and staff volunteers to plant 150 trees in the woods as part of the school's ongoing repair attempts after the May 2009 storm.

Many students are pleased to hear

their forest is in good shape.

Andrew Heller, a sophomore from Aurora studying journalism, said he understands why sections of the woods had to be removed and thinks it is for the better of the woods. Heller said he does not want the woods removed completely because it represents a huge part of what makes SIUC unique among colleges.

Another student who thinks the woods are important is Joel Konitzer,

a freshman from Lake Villa studying pre-medical science. Konitzer said he walks through the woods several times a week and finds Thompson Woods to be a cornerstone to the SIU experience. He said he wants the woods to be preserved as long as possible.

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"The Armory is a historic building and we don't want to see it deteriorate," Loos said.

He said the state had received several bids after the "For Sale" sign went up in December, but there was still no word about a pending sale.

Loos said his neighbors are concerned new owners might want to use the building for a business that won't fit in to a predominantly residential neighborhood.

He said if the eventual Armory owner requested a zoning variance to accommodate a business, the association wanted to be prepared with an appropriate response.

"We've looked into the kinds of zoning modifications that might be acceptable," he said. "We're hoping whoever gets it wants to be a good neighbor."

Patti Diggle, treasurer, said residents in northwest Carbondale are concerned about the future of their neighborhood and the association is a means for people to work together to solve problems, such as petty crime and unkempt properties.

"We want to connect people who share the same concerns," she said.

Yolan Presley, vice president, said people can volunteer to serve on a committee than suits their interests, such as disaster preparedness planning, crime prevention programs

and events to welcome newcomers.

Her husband, Bob Presley, said the armory building could be a tremendous asset to the neighborhood, but that it could become a detriment if not maintained.

"It's nice for the neighborhood to come together," he said. "That way, we can guide our growth better."

Bridget Walsh, a long-time resident of the northwest area, said she attended the meeting to help create a better neighborhood.

"There's a momentum building up in the neighborhood to take care of issues," she said.

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GUEST COLUMN

How do we mark the passing of time?

JOSH SCHATZLE
Carbondale resident

My mother-in-law recently asked my father-in-law what his favorite season of the year was. “Basketball,” he replied. He was serious; it didn’t occur to him she could have meant anything else. At first I found it funny, then a bit embarrassing. I would have likely answered the same way, and I was worried about what it said about me, about us, about men.

Are we really the simple-minded Neanderthals the Bud Light ads make us out to be, consumed with sports and women? But then it occurred to me that there might be more to my father-in-law’s answer than first meets the eye. Why did he instinctively order the calendar year around sports and not the weather? And then it occurred to me that there was something sacred about sports, particularly in a climate such as ours, where even the weather is politicized. Had the world of sports become a safe-haven for the world, a sanctuary free from the intrusive, dehumanizing and relentless forces of politicization?

We owe much of our current political

climate to Karl Marx and his ilk. Before their politics, people lived, loved, defended their homes — and family worked and played, largely free from the tags of suspicious labels and –isms, and the subsequent self-consciousness that inevitably follows.

Marx was only able to interpret the world through the lens of power. Power itself wasn’t the problem; the problem was that power was a prisoner to the primitive institutions of the family and religion, and unavailable to the “collective humanity.” For the sake of the “greater good,” that power would have to be released, and that would have to come voluntarily. Human beings would have to come to distrust themselves with the power they possessed by virtue of their nature.

Marx saw that this would require a fundamental change in the way human kind thought of itself. Where once humans would have thought it good, natural, and right to pursue their own good, now they would have to see that their pursuit of good necessarily meant someone else’s loss. They must see themselves as “a problem to be managed” — like vermin. Humans would have to question not only their very existence, but

even their right to exist at all. In other words, it would require humans to abandon the very things that make them human. What the world required was a new humility.

G.K. Chesterton had this to say about this new politic, in "Orthodoxy:" “The old humility was a spur that prevented a man from stopping; not a nail in is boot that prevented him from going on. The old humility made a man doubtful about his efforts, which might make him work harder. But the new humility makes a man doubtful about his aims, which will make him stop working altogether.”

In his zeal for the common good of humanity, Marx took it legs out from underneath it, deconstructing human being to the core.

Of course, this is all just my opinion. But it’s an opinion the sports world recently affirmed. A couple of weeks ago, Miami Marlins Manager Ozzie Guillen received a five-game suspension from team ownership for remarks he made to "Time" magazine, praising Fidel Castro, saying he “really loved and admired him for his ability to remain in power as long as he had.” He upset not just Miami— a city populated by many who fled

the brutal Marxist regime on makeshift floating devices — but much of the nation, who seemed to be saying: “We respect your right to a political opinion, it’s just not welcome on the field of play.”

The sports world has come to see itself as a sanctuary in a world increasingly vulnerable to the dehumanizing Marxist virus, preserving a playing field where the most basic elements of human being, namely the instinct for achievement and significance, are protected and allowed to thrive. Here, there are –isms and labels; all that matters, inside the lines, is whether one can play the game.

And as I thought this week about Ozzie and Castro and Marx, it occurred to me that maybe the lines of a field serve more than declaring foul from fair. Perhaps Providence is at work, drawing lines around at least one arena in life where the dehumanizing forces of politics would be relegated to the sidelines, and the beauty of the game, which is really to say the beauty of humankind, is preserved and protected. And I smiled to myself at this thought, thinking that my father-in-law was on to something, maybe even something worthy of marking the seasons by.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Administrators should have spoken to constituencies, Pulliam Pool users

DEAR EDITOR:

About two weeks ago, a copy of a resolution that had been sent to the SIU Board of Trustees for its March 2012 meeting appeared in the changing rooms at Pulliam Pool. The resolution asked the BOT to approve a renovation to Pulliam Hall. This included, as your readers are aware from your April 18 article, destroying the swimming pools. In presenting this

resolution, it was noted that “university officers were aware” of no considerations against its adoption, and that constituency involvement “was not pertinent to this matter.”

Whatever the arguments for and against the closure of the pool, I believe the administration should properly have spoken to the campus constituencies and to the many groups that use the pool. Many use

Pulliam each year, which certainly belies Vice Chancellor Bame’s assertion that the “pool isn’t being used enough.”

Further, the recommendation dating back to 2009 of the consulting firm, Councilman-Hunsaker, seems to have been made without any reference at all to the multiple uses to which Pulliam pool is being put. I grant that the pool is elderly. Tara Kulash tells us in her article that the cost of complete

renovation would now be about \$500,000. Nonetheless, this is but a fraction of the cost of the proposed remodeling which is estimated to be around \$7 million, which would be paid for by student facilities maintenance fee.

Does the BOT have the complete picture?

Lawrence J. Dennis
Professor Emeritus

For many, there's no alternative to Pulliam Pool

AN OPEN LETTER TO CHANCELLOR RITA CHENG:

I was outraged when I heard you plan to demolish Pulliam Pool, and doubly outraged when I learned that renovating it would only cost \$500,000. Half a million is a fraction of the cost of the new football stadium.

Personally, I have been to the stadium only a handful of times, and have never used it, i.e. played football there. However, in my 30 years as a student and employee, I've used Pulliam Pool literally thousands of times. My four children all learned to swim there. Nor am I alone.

During the noon free swim, which I've attended twice a week since 1994, it's often difficult to find a lane to use. You say that we Pulliam swimmers can switch to the Recreation Center pool, but there are a number of reasons why that's an undesirable alternative.

The Recreation Center requires expensive passes — a burden to retirees' fixed incomes — which provide access to all its facilities, when all we want to do is swim. The Recreation Center pool is kept cooler for the benefit of athletic swimmers, but is uncomfortable for ordinary swimmers and those doing arthritis exercises.

There is also no shallow wading pool safe for small children. The Rec Center is farther away from

the center of campus, so that those of us swimming during our lunch hour would burn up so much time getting there and back that we'd have little time to actually swim.

It's true Pulliam Pool is aging, but it was constructed at a time when things were built to last. It has character, with its wood and tile surfaces, that the concrete and steel of the Rec Center lacks.

It is an SIU tradition dating back to the U-School. Would we replace Pulliam clock tower with a digital clock, or pave Thompson Woods to put up a parking lot?

Many private companies provide its employees with pools and gyms to improve employee health, reduce sick time and relieve stress. It makes no sense for SIU to take away such opportunities.

We realize that SIU has financial difficulties, and we would be willing to go to punch card system for free swims, such as the Stress Buster program uses.

Keeping Pulliam Pool open needn't consign the School of Art and Design to the Blue Barracks forever. With the completion of the Student Services Building, there will be space available in Woody Hall.

Surely Woody would be easier to remodel than Pulliam, and the two are about the same age.

Gary K. Shepherd
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"Old-school pool" will be missed

DEAR EDITOR:

Recently, a professor-friend asked, "Why is it that some college staffers stay at SIUC as long as they do?" In part, the answer is quality of life. Everyone finds their own rewards that help make them happy — and for some, it can be power and money. For others, it can be respect from peers, friends, professors, and sometimes, places. For me, Pulliam Pool is one of those special places.

Pulliam Pool is one of those little-known gems that help improve the quality of life for the SIUC community. The pool has qualities about it that are impossible to find anywhere else. It's within walking distance of central campus and it has a friendly human scale. It's easy to park, swim and still return to work or class within the lunch hour. This is not possible anywhere else.

There are other qualities of Pulliam Pool that are desirable. It's an old-school pool — literally. It was originally part of the Southern Illinois Normal School, and the

pool and decking are constructed of 1- inch square ceramic tile. Not the sterile aluminum of public pools today. It has copious natural light and pleasantly cool water. Unfortunately, the facility has experienced a decline in upkeep in recent years.

With the closing of Pulliam Pools, there will be winners and losers. The winners are those fortunate enough to be granted occupancy in the newly-remodeled interiors. The losers are the current and future swimmers that will no longer have the option to incorporate a lunch-time swim into their day.

I welcome most of the campus improvements that have occurred in recent years, but this is one that I have a difficult time agreeing with. I've been a lunch-time swimmer at Pulliam Pool for more than 20 years, and I will miss it when it's gone.

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For present employees, he said one aspect of Quinn's proposal they might not approve of is the change in cost-of-living adjustments. He said reducing them will eat away at employees' pensions. He said if an employee retires during a period of high inflation, but the cost-of-living adjustment remains low, it may negatively affect them.

"That's not an acceptable proposition for our people," he said.

Poshard said he thinks the change in cost-of-living adjustments, the raising of the retirement age and the increase in employee contribution will prompt more retirements in future months.

Another aspect of public pension reform not addressed by Quinn that concerns Poshard is the financial burden it will place on universities. He said if some of the costs are placed on the employers, or SIU, it could

cost the university tens of millions of dollars. He said university presidents are working to have revisions made to lessen the impact.

But overall, Poshard said, he thinks employees will agree with some of the terms Quinn has proposed, if it will help the overall system.

State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said there have been several factors which have caused the pension problem. He said a few of those factors were decisions made by legislators in the past. He said some of Quinn's proposal addresses those problems, including the change of cost-of-living adjustment to simple interest from compound, because he said it is sometimes doubling an individual's pension after a number of years because of interest alone.

"The reality is, this problem has come as a result of bad decisions," he said.

But other factors such as people living longer have also led to the

pension problem, Bost said.

He said he is glad to see Quinn is trying to solve the problem, although he thinks the proposal needs work.

State employees may be faced with the decision to make sacrifices for the system now, Bost said, but those sacrifices may prevent the entire system from failing future generations.

"I don't want to place this burden on my great-grandchildren," he said.

Bost said he has received many phone calls from worried employees who are concerned Quinn's proposal is inadequate. Bost said there will be revisions made to the plan before anything passes. He said a reform plan may not pass this spring because it is an election year, but he hopes something does.

"We need to do something," he said.

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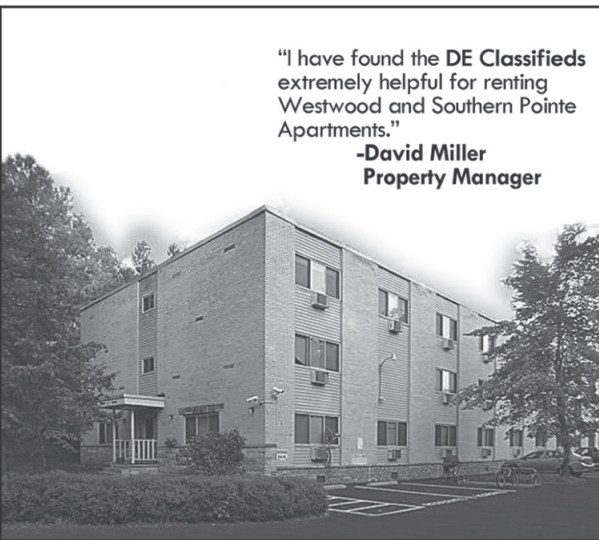
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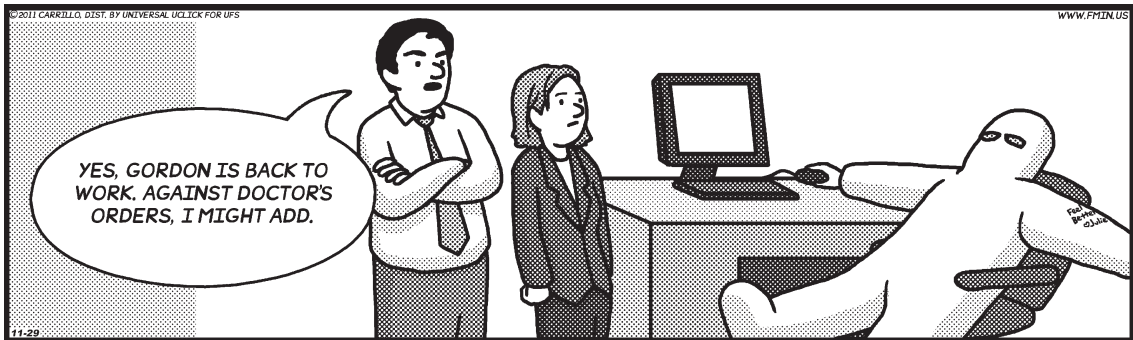
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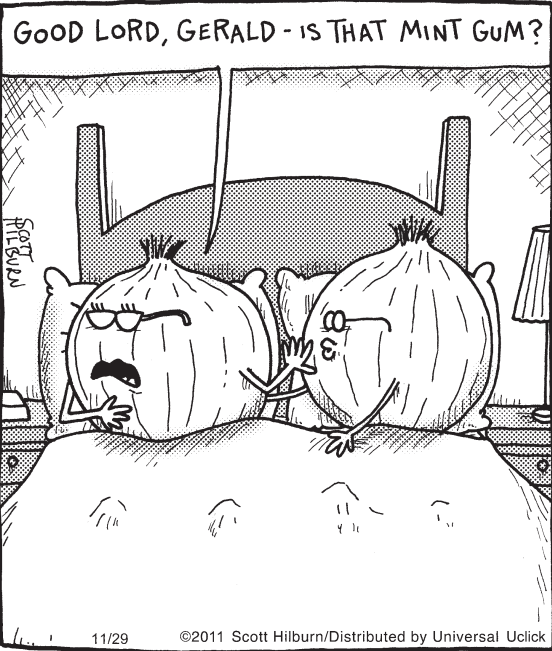
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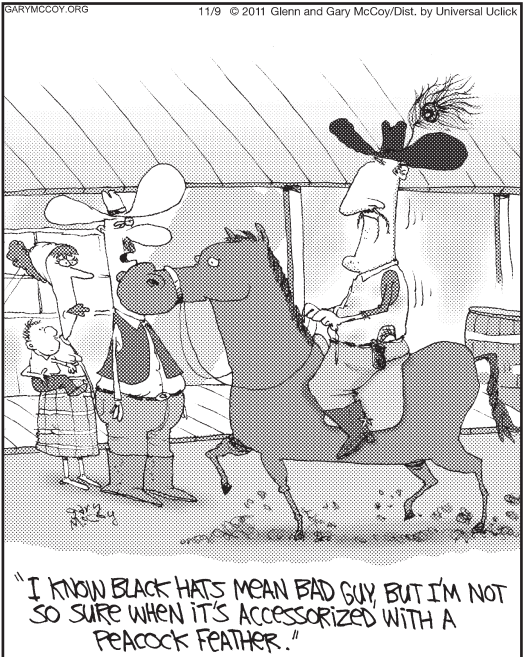
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Across

- English soulstress Stone
- What you take when you hit the road
- Blown away at show
- Post punk death rock band
- Babies
- Where the Peppers are not from?
- Tom Waits "Another Man's"
- Arcade Fire "Bible"
- "Five Man Acoustical Jam" band
- R&B artist Blacc
- "Let the"
- Often, to Old English lyricist
- Aerosmith "Don't Get Mad, Get"
- What some punk sounds like
- Korn "No There"
- Trailblazing musician
- Alone at a concert
- Kinks "Have a Cuppa"
- A Flock of Seagulls biological song
- Kristin Hersh/Tanya Donnelly's '90s alt group
- Nuno Bettencourt "Flight of the Wounded Bumble"
- Skid Row "Riot"
- Marianne Faithfull "Fare Well"
- Springsteen's "the Night"
- Songwriter scribble
- Sadist pizza song?
- How sell-out band plays it
- Grateful Dead's Hunter
- 3 Doors Down debut
- Actor/musician from 30 Seconds to Mars
- Soul Asylum "Easy to"
- "Eyes Without a Face" Billy
- John Lennon "Happy Christmas (War Is)"
- What Dee Snider struck, to PMRC
- Winehouse "You Me Flying"
- "Not Gonna Take It"
- Outlaws "Grass and High Tides"
- Bloc Party's "Intimacy" starter

Down

- Santana song about ultrapatriot?
- Eagles "These Nights"
- Security command
- Beach Boys floor seats?
- Jangle pop '80s band Let's
- Concept album features
- What comeback career had done
- Psychedelic experimental band
- Psychic
- Elvis Costello "Sweet"
- Teen idol Frankie
- Bluesman Dixon
- Spoon's Jim
- Elton John partner Kiki
- Yo La
- Yoko
- Alt-reggae guys Common
- Memorable time in music
- "Stories of a Stranger" band
- "I've seen your picture" Steely Dan song
- Black Eyed Peas will
- Driving Missy Higgins song?
- Slicing Echo and the Bunnymen song?
- Explosive AC/DC album?
- Talking Heads "And She"
- Very "original" rapper Vanilla
- Greatest hits album "Madness"
- Beatles "Loves You"
- Lots of bands played "Live at the"
- Classic "Michael, Row the Boat"
- German singer Lempert
- Poison album "Tongue"
- "Use Your Illusion 1" jam
- "Garden"
- Lou Reed "Dime Mystery"
- Grateful Dead "I Know You"
- Killswitch Engage "Element"
- What powerful singer does
- Repeated word in Danger Danger hit
- "You're So Inviting" Underoath
- Lenny Kravitz ex-wife Bonet
- Feeling when writing the blues
- U.K. band All About

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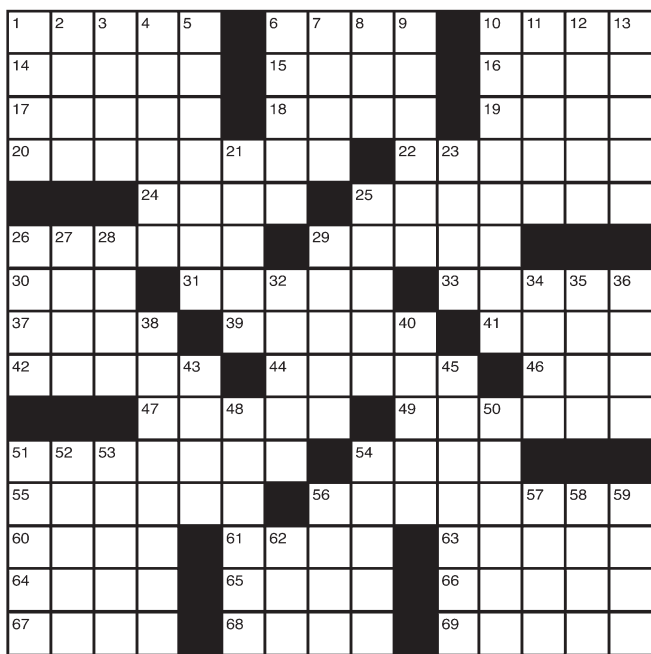
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ACROSS

- 1 Foot-long measuring stick
- 6 Incite; egg on
- 10 Patty
- 14 Give one's two cents' worth
- 15 Strong desire
- 16 Swear
- 17 Strong fastening rods
- 18 Appear
- 19 Give up land
- 20 ___ to; leaves in the custody of
- 22 Pumpkin color
- 24 Gun cartridges
- 25 Began
- 26 Hairpiece
- 29 San ___ Padres
- 30 Pacino & Gore
- 31 Singer Bobby
- 33 ___ up; absorbs
- 37 Small plateau
- 39 Happen again
- 41 Largest single digit
- 42 Veranda
- 44 Hem in & assail
- 46 Actor Jason
- 47 ___ with; made it through
- 49 Deleted, as on a videotape
- 51 Four-star naval officer
- 54 ___ up; goof
- 55 ___ shower; pre-wedding party
- 56 Blow it in a school bee
- 60 Cook in the oven
- 61 Washerful of laundry
- 63 Spooky
- 64 ___ house; realtor's event
- 65 A single time
- 66 Canary homes
- 67 SAT, for one
- 68 Tall grass shoot
- 69 Freshwater fish

DOWN

- 1 Caftan
- 2 Chance ___; find by luck
- 3 Uplifting tune
- 4 Catch
- 5 Took up again
- 6 Zest
- 7 Crude metals
- 8 Years lived
- 9 Reduce to a lower rank
- 10 Coconut cookie
- 11 Social occasion
- 12 Skiers' inn
- 13 Rough woolen coat fabric
- 21 Smudge
- 23 Tattered cloths
- 25 Site of nasal congestion
- 26 Pat down soil
- 27 Margarine
- 28 Khrushchev's nation: abbr.
- 29 Chopped finely
- 32 Refuse to obey
- 34 Feels sick
- 35 Leg joint
- 36 Bit of canary food
- 38 Traffic collision
- 40 Becomes dizzy



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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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- 43 Dance at a bar mitzvah
- 45 Cut into three pieces
- 48 Paleness
- 50 Come into view
- 51 Monastery
- 52 Curtain
- 53 Farrell & Tyson
- 54 One-___; not reciprocal
- 56 Police spray
- 57 Consequently
- 58 In ___ of; as a substitute for
- 59 In case
- 62 Smallest bill

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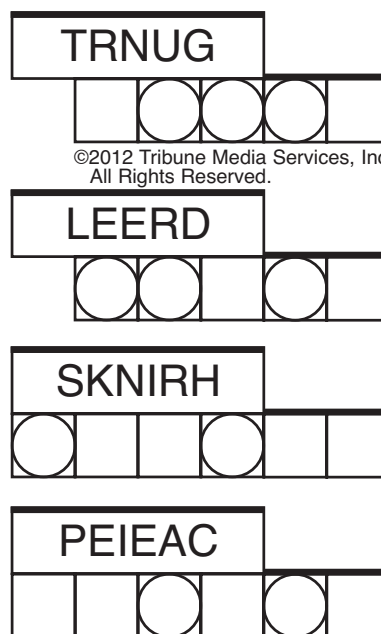
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contain every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

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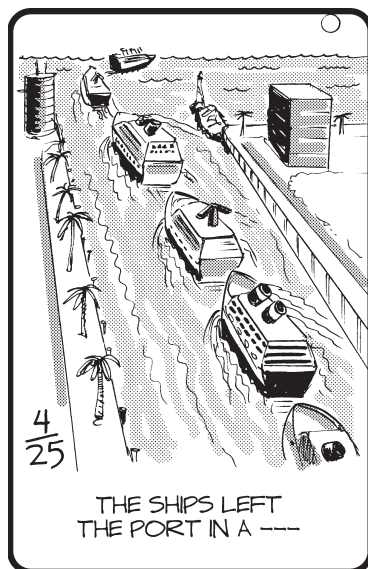
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Gemini — Today is an 8 — Go by the rules you set to gain respect and wealth. A careful work investment may be necessary, like a power suit or some polish for the presentation. It pays off.

Cancer — Today is a 7 — Don't be too hasty this morning. Keep it simple, and stick to core commitments. Rely on a loved one and your own common sense. Reaffirm your bonds.

Leo — Today is an 8 — Things may seem illogical or confusing. Rely on old standards for solid quality. Do more planning and research. Friends chime in. Think it over more, and the situation resolves itself.

Virgo — Today is a 9 — Think through the consequences of your actions before committing. Rely on experienced friends, if you get stuck or confused. They've been there before.

Libra — Today is an 8 — Orders are coming in. The breakfast rush could leave you all aflutter; chaos could distract you from your purpose if you let it. Concentrate on providing good service.

Scorpio — Today is an 8 — Bring your balanced view into the project. Make a choice, despite your fears. Have faith in your own solid skills. Your transformation continues as you keep up practice.

Sagittarius — Today is a 9 — Flexibility and a sense of humor keep you dancing gracefully today. Don't worry about the money. When all it's done, receive an acknowledgment with a bow.

Capricorn — Today is a 9 — Running around with your head cut off doesn't help. Breathe deep. Find a goal to focus on, and then take one step at a time. An older person offers partnership.

Aquarius — Today is an 8 — Immerse yourself in writing or another artistic endeavor while your creative juices are flowing. Reinterpret a negative as a positive. Choose love. Howl at the moon.

Pisces — Today is a 7 — Try to stay grounded and close to home. Don't rush your decision. Don't lose your sense of direction, either. It will all get easier soon. Lie low for a while.

Bertelsen loud on the mound

BEN CONRADY
Daily Egyptian

You don't have to be watching a Saluki softball game to know if Katie Bertelsen is on the mound.

Each pitch Bertelsen throws is accompanied by a piercing yell that can be heard by common passersby outside the stadium.

'The Scream,' as it has come to be known among the softball team, might startle an opposing fan or batter unprepared for it but is commonplace for the Salukis and their fans.

"It's my trademark," Bertelsen said. "I've been doing it since 3rd grade. It's weird to think of pitching without grunting."

Bertelsen said her father came up with the idea while the two were attempting to figure out a way for her to increase velocity on her pitches. After a pitching session filled with grunts and screams, the grade school Bertelsen, now a freshman, was hooked on the technique.

Although Bertelsen is the only "grunting" pitcher in the Missouri Valley Conference, softball coach Kerri Blaylock said the approach is nothing new to her.

"It's probably more rare now, but I was actually a 'grunter' when I threw, so it's not unusual to me," she said. "You'll see them every once in awhile, but most are a lot quieter. (Bertelsen) kind of lets it rip."

Blaylock pitched for the University of Evansville from 1985-1988, and still holds virtually every softball pitching record at the school, according to the Saluki Athletics website.

Although it draws questioning glances from the opposing team, Bertelsen said the scream is only a mechanism to help her throw with more power and she does not believe it gives her any advantage over batters.

"It might intimidate the batters but I just do it to throw harder," she said. "It helps me to come off the mound harder and put everything I've got into it. People in high school were scared of my scream, but in college, girls are bigger and stronger, so they are used to it."

While Bertelsen's teammates are used to the scream now, they were caught off-guard the first time they heard it, said sophomore catcher Allie VadeBoncouer.

"The first time I heard it was a little weird because I had never heard anything like it before," VadeBoncouer said. "I don't even notice it is there anymore. It's part of who she is."

Blaylock compares the scream to the sound a weightlifter might make when lifting an extremely heavy amount.

"She's so little, but she's powerful," Blaylock said. "I think that might be where it comes from. She's so little, but she's powerful for her size and that's to her advantage."

VadeBoncouer receives Player of the Week honors

Although she catches for Katie Bertelsen, who yells after each pitch, catcher Allie VadeBoncouer has been making some noise of her own at the plate.

The sophomore was named this week's State Farm Missouri Valley Player of the Week after going 7-19 at the plate with a home run and 11 runs-batted-in last week.

VadeBoncouer ranks third on the team with a .355 batting average, and leads the Salukis with seven home runs and 46 RBI.

VadeBoncouer said the key to her recent success was to relax and enjoy the game.

"I knew I needed to go out there, relax, have fun and do what I do," she said. "It's what I love."

VadeBoncouer is the fourth Saluki to receive the honor this season, joining teammates Haley Gorman, Mallory Duran-Sellers and Taylor Orsburn.

So far, the scream seems to be working well for Bertelsen. The 5'1" righty currently holds a 4.03 earned run average and leads the team with 11 wins.

Fans can see (and hear) Bertelsen and the Salukis this weekend when they host conference foe Northern Iowa in the final home series of the season.



Freshman pitcher Katie Bertelsen yells as she pitches against University of Evansville on April 17 at Charlotte West Stadium. Bertelsen said she and her father developed the technique of yelling during every pitch as a way to increase pitch velocity when she was in the third grade. The Salukis play Southeastern Missouri State University at 5 p.m. today at Charlotte West Stadium.

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